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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



ANNUAL REPORT

OF

The Medical Officer
of Health

UPON THE
SANITARY CONDITION OF THE DISTRICT
DURING THE YEAR 1946.

TO THE RAMSEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Council.

I beg to submit the Annual Report on the sanitary conditions of the district for the year ending 31st December, 1946.

STAFF :

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH (TEMPORARY)

ALAN E. STAFFURTH, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

SANITARY INSPECTOR (PART TIME)

V. J. BATEMAN, A.R.San.I.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Live Births.

Birth Rate per 1000 population	...	...	...	18.6
England and Wales	...	...	...	19.1

Still Births.

Rate per 1000 population	...	...	...	0.36
England and Wales	...	...	...	0.53

Deaths.

Death Rate per 1000 population	...	...	...	14.1
England and Wales	...	...	...	11.5

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age :—

All infants per 1,000 live births	...	...	..	29.4
England and Wales	...	...	...	43

CAUSES OF DEATH.

	M	F
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System		1
Other Forms of Tuberculosis		2
Cancer	13	5
Cerebral Hæmorrhage... ..	5	5
Heart Disease	13	7
Other Diseases of the Circulatory System ...	3	1
Bronchitis	4	1
Pneumonia	1	1
Other Digestive Diseases		1
Nephritis		2
Road Traffic Accidents		
Other Violent Causes	1	1
All Other Causes	5	5
All Causes	45	32



GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

The provision of health service within the area generally remains unaltered.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

No undertakings of any importance have been carried out during the past twelve months and generally the circumstances are unaltered.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

The routine visits of inspection in connection with this work have been carried out as in the past years.

TO THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

SIR.

I beg to submit my report for the year ending 31st December, 1946.

Total number of Inspections made	...	...	...	187
Total number of Notices served	...	...	...	6
(Informal 6 Statutory 0)				
Complaints received ...	...	...	Total No. of	41
Premises, houses, etc. ...	...	...	No. inspected	62
			Nuisances abated	37
Pool, ditch, gutter, watercourse	...	...	No. inspected	6
			Nuisances abated	6
Animals improperly kept	...	...	No. inspected	-
			Nuisances abated	-
Privy, urinal, cesspool, ashpit	...	...	No. inspected	17
			Nuisances abated	17
Drain, Drain-traps, etc., etc.	...	...	No. inspected	42
			Nuisances abated	42
House, or part thereof, overcrowded			No. inspected	17
			Nuisances abated	-
Smoke nuisances	...	...	No. of observations	-
			Nuisances abated	-
Offensive accumulations	...	...	No. inspected	2
			Nuisances abated	2
Other sanitary conditions	...	...	No. inspected	17
			Nuisances abated	17
Slaughter houses	...	...	No. licensed	6
			No. of inspections	-
Offensive trades (Public Health Act 1936)			No. established...	.
			No. of inspections	-
Public Health Act, 1936	...	...	No. houses condemned	-
			No. closed	-
			No. cleaned and limewashed...	2

Infectious Disease	{	Houses affected with Scarlet Fever,	-
		Houses inspected	-
		No. of inspections	-
		Houses disinfected	-
		Schools „	-
		Disinfectant used S.O ₂ + Formaldehyde	-
		Lots of clothing Disinfected ...	-
		Lots of clothing destroyed ...	6
Food—seizures of unwholesome	No. of	41	
Privy Middens	{	New provided ...	-
		No. repaired ...	-
		No. converted to pails	4
		No. converted to W.C.'s	-
Pail or earth closets	New provided ...	4	
	No. converted to W.C.'s	3	
Water closets... ..	New provided ...	3	
	No. supplied with water	3	
Ashpits	New provided ...	-	
	No. converted to Ashbins	-	
Ashbins	New provided ...	-	
Water supply	{	Samples taken for analysis	44
		Samples condemned	-
		Wells closed ...	-
		Wells cleansed, repaired, etc....	-
		Public supply substituted for well or pond ...	-
		Cisterns cleansed, repaired, covered	-
		Waste pipes disconnected from drain	-
		No. houses closed	-
Housing, Act 1936	„ „ made habitable	-	
	„ „ demolished	-	
Building Bye Laws adopted		-	
Total Legal Proceedings, <i>i.e.</i> , Summonses, etc.		-	
Convictions		-	

DAIRIES, COWSHEDS & MILKSHOPS ORDER.

Dairymen, Cowkeepers and Purveyors of Milk (Milk Sellers)–

No. in District	...	...	...	...	8
No. Registered	...	...	...	...	8
No. of Inspections of Premises...	...	...	...	...	22
No. of Inspections during Milking Time	...	...	...	...	—
No. of Premises requiring Whitewashing, Cleansing, etc.	...	...	...	...	2
No. of Premises requiring Structural or Sanitary Improvements	...	...	...	...	2

Premises with Well Water Supply—

No. of	...	...	...	...	...	3
No. of, from which water analysed	...	...	...	...	...	—

V. J. BATEMAN. *Sanitary Inspector*

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

The following infectious diseases were notified:

Scarlet Fever	1	Whooping Cough	23
Measles ...	3	Pneumonia	...
			5
		Cerebro-Spinal	
		Meningitis	...
			2

TUBERCULOSIS.

Age Periods	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Respiratory		Non Respiratory		Respiratory		Non Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
5	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	2
15	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
45	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
65 and upwards	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1	1	1	3	1	—	—	2

No action was found to be necessary under the Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations 1925 in connection with persons suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis employed in the milk trade, or under Section 172 of the Public Health Act, 1936, which deals with the Compulsory removal to hospital of persons suffering from tuberculosis.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

ALAN E. STAFFURTH,

Medical Officer of Health

